GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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LAND ACQUIREMENT BY CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total area of land acquired by the Chandigarh UT Administration during each of the last three year and the purpose thereof;

(b) whether the residential houses in the rural areas have also been acquired or are under acquisition without offering an alternative housing plot to the local oustees; and

(c) whether this action runs counter to the stated objective of Common Minimum Programme to promote, encourage and facilitate housing activity in the rural areas?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a): The total area of land acquired year wise for various development purposes in the last three years is as under:-

1. 2002-2003 519.186 acr.
2. 2003-2004 386.95 acr
3. 2004-2005 58.037 acr

(b): As a matter of policy, no acquisition within Lal Dora of the village is under taken. However, in exceptional cases it is done for providing public convenience and in public interest. For land acquired anywhere in Chandigarh, the rehabilitation of oustees is done under the scheme namely, `Chandigarh Allotment of Dwelling Units to the Outsees of Chandigarh Scheme, 1996`.

(c): No Sir. Chandigarh is a planned city created under Capital Act, 1952 and to manage periphery as lungs to the City beautiful, the limited rural area adjoining the main city is governed under the Punjab Periphery Control Act which prohibits construction of agricultural land and change of land use.